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TO : Chief, D/S

DATE: 21 October 1955

FROM : Chief, S/OM

SUBJECT: Review and Revision of the Department of State's Comprehensive Economic Reporting Programs (CERPs)

REFERENCE: The attached memo

1. Concerning Communist China

Sections A and B: No comment.

Section C: Quarterly and Annual Report Requirements might include a request for analysis of ministerial and other organizational changes in the government.

Section D: Renewed emphasis might be given to the importance of defining the economic concepts used and applied by the Chinese Communists.

In the list of topics, No. 9 (Industries) might be expanded to include a subheading "industrial management" which would comprise industrial enterprise planning, management of manpower, production management, financial management, management of materials, control over plan fulfillment by the Party and other outside organs.

2. USSR and European Satellites

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[REDACTED] who is in charge of this matter, informs me that the CERP program does not cover the USSR and European Satellites. It deals only with the non-Communist countries in Europe.

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